

Child Nutrition

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An Overview of the Breakfast Meal Pattern Requirements

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Breakfast (SBP)

Breakfast Meal Pattern

Food Components	Grades	s K-5	Grades 6-8		Grades 9-12	
	Daily	Weekly	Daily	Weekly	Daily	Weekly
Fluid Milk (cups) Must off at least two choices	1	5	1	5	1	5
Fruit (cups) No more than 50% offered can be from juice	1	5	1	5	1	5
Grains (ounce equivalents) All grains must be whole-grain rich	1	7	1	8	1	9

Breakfast Meal Pattern

3 food components

Offer 4 items from the 3 required food components in full serving size.

- Milk
- ► Fruit
- Grains

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- ▶ One additional grain, fruit or meat/meat alternate
- ▶ A Student must take at least 3 of the Items, with the option to take all 4 items.
- \blacktriangleright A student MUST take at least ½ a cup of fruit(or vegetable) to be reimbursable.



Milk

- Schools must offer a "variety" of milk Schools to offer at least 2 different types.
- Low-fat or fat free unflavored
- ► Fat free flavored (not currently available in Maine)
- Lactaid treated milk
- Other dairy items cannot replace Milk

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Fruit

- Can be Fresh, Canned, Dried, or Juice
- Must be made with 100% fruit, packed in light syrup/ water if canned
- ▶ Juice can be no more than 50% of your fruit component requirement for the week.
- If you are only offering juice at breakfast, be sure to offer a full cup (often this means two "juices"
- Tip always offer two different types of fruit at breakfast to mee weekly requirements and avoid over serving juice.

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Vegetables at Breakfast (optional)

- Vegetables can count towards the fruit component or can be served in place of the fruit component, unless it is a starchy vegetable.
- If offering starchy vegetables like hash browns, at least 2 cups of non-starchy vegetables must be offered during the same week.









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Grains

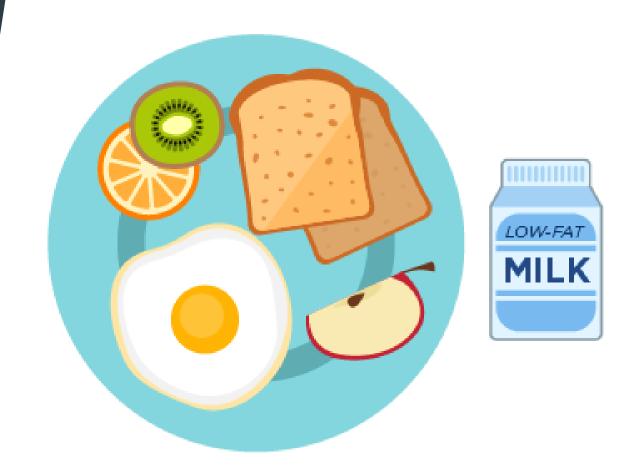
- Must be wholegrain rich (51% wholegrain).
 - The first ingredient must say "whole"
- At least one-ounce equivalent grain required to be offered daily with breakfast.
- To meet weekly minimums by grade group plan for 2 ounces a day.
- Note* if you offer cereal daily, allow students the option of taking 2 bowl packs or a two-ounce equivalent.

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Meat/Meat Alternate (Optional)

M/MA can count towards the weekly grain offering but must always be served in addition to a 1-oz grain equivalent.



Offer Versus Serve - Breakfast

- Offer Versus Serve (OVS) provision allows students to decline some of the food offered in a reimbursable breakfast.
- Offer vs Serve is <u>optional</u> at Breakfast for all grade groups

Offer Versus Serve at Breakfast

- ▶ Planned meal offers 4 *items* from the 3 required food components in full serving size (What the student must be offered)
 - Milk (1 cup)
 - Fruit (1 cup)
 - ► Grains (1 oz)
 - One additional Item
- Reimbursable meal contains (what the student must take) :
 - ▶ At least 3 food <u>items</u>
 - ► At least a ½ cup fruit/vegetable

OVS Fruit or vegetables as substitute

➤ You must offer 1 cup of fruit total- a student may take ½ cup of fruit and it will count as 1 Item.

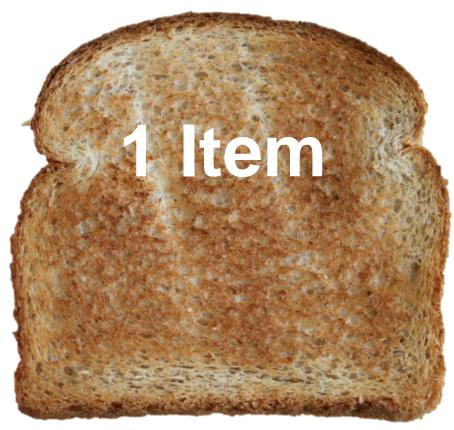
You May Offer:

- ▶ 1 oz. Grain
- ► ½ cup Fruit
- ½ cup Fruit (of a different variety)
- ► 1 cup Milk

A Student May Take:

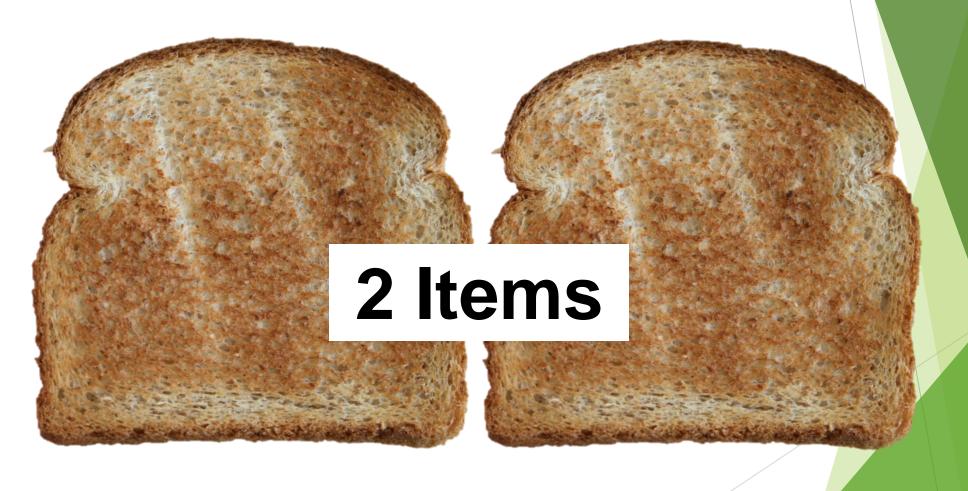
- 1 oz. Grain
- ½ cup of Fruit
- 1 Cup Milk

Offer Versus Serve - Items



1 oz grain eq

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Group A	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group A	Minimum Serving Size for Group A
Bread type coating	1 oz eq = 22 gm or 0.8 oz	1 serving = 20 gm or 0.7 oz
Bread sticks (hard)	3/4 oz eq = 17 gm or 0.6 oz	3/4 serving = 15 gm or 0.5 oz
Chow Mein noodles	1/2 oz eq = 11 gm or 0.4 oz	1/2 serving = 10 gm or 0.4 oz
Savory Crackers (saltines and snack crackers)	1/4 oz eq = 6 gm or 0.2 oz	1/4 serving = 5 gm or 0.2 oz
Croutons		
Pretzels (hard)		
Stuffing (dry) Note: weights apply to bread in stuffing		
Group B	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group B	Minimum Serving Size for Group B
Bagels	1 oz eq = 28 gm or 1.0 oz	1 serving = 25 gm or 0.9 oz
Batter type coating	3/4 oz eq = 21 gm or 0.75 oz	3/4 serving = 19 gm or 0.7 oz
Biscuits	1/2 oz eq = 14 gm or 0.5 oz	1/2 serving = 13 gm or 0.5 oz
Breads - all (for example sliced, French, Italian)	1/4 oz eq = 7 gm or 0.25	1/4 serving = 6 gm or 0.2 oz
Buns (hamburger and hot dog)		
Sweet Crackers ⁵ (graham crackers - all shapes,		
animal crackers)		
Egg roll skins		
English muffins		
Pita bread		
Pizza crust		
Pretzels (soft)		
Rolls		
Tortillas		
Tortilla chips		
Taco shells		
Group C	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group C	Minimum Serving Size for Group C
Cookies3 (plain - includes vanilla wafers)	1 oz eq = 34 gm or 1.2 oz	1 serving = 31 gm or 1.1 oz
Cornbread	3/4 oz eq = 26 gm or 0.9 oz	3/4 serving = 23 gm or 0.8 oz
Corn muffins	1/2 oz eq = 17 gm or 0.6 oz	1/2 serving = 16 gm or 0.6 oz
Croissants	1/4 oz eq = 9 gm or 0.3 oz	1/4 serving = 8 gm or 0.3 oz
Pancakes		
Pie crust (dessert pies3, cobbler3, fruit turnovers4,		
and meats/meat alternate pies)		
Waffles		
Group D	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group D	Minimum Serving Size for Group D
Doughnuts4 (cake and yeast raised, unfrosted)	1 oz eq = 55 gm or 2.0 oz	1 serving = 50 gm or 1.8 oz
Cereal bars, breakfast bars, granola bars4 (plain)	3/4 oz eq = 42 gm or 1.5 oz	3/4 serving = 38 gm or 1.3 oz
Muffins (all, except corn)	1/2 oz eq = 28 gm or 1.0 oz	1/2 serving = 25 gm or 0.9 oz
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Sweet roll ⁴ (unfrosted)	1/4 oz eq = 14 gm or 0.5 oz	1/4 serving = 13 gm or 0.5 oz



Group E	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group E	Minimum Serving Size for Group E
Cereal bars, breakfast bars, granola bars ⁴ (with nuts, dried fruit, and/or chocolate pieces) Cookies ³ (with nuts, raisins, chocolate pieces and/or fruit purees) Doughnuts ⁴ (cake and yeast raised, frosted or glazed) French toast Sweet rolls ⁴ (frosted) Toaster pastry ⁴ (frosted)	1 oz eq = 69 gm or 2.4 oz 3/4 oz eq = 52 gm or 1.8 oz 1/2 oz eq = 35 gm or 1.2 oz 1/4 oz eq = 18 gm or 0.6 oz	1 serving = 63 gm or 2.2 oz 3/4 serving = 47 gm or 1.7 oz 1/2 serving = 31 gm or 1.1 oz 1/4 serving = 16 gm or 0.6 oz
Group F	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group F	Minimum Serving Size for Group F
Cake ³ (plain, unfrosted) Coffee cake ⁴	1 oz eq = 82 gm or 2.9 oz 3/4 oz eq = 62 gm or 2.2 oz 1/2 oz eq = 41 gm or 1.5 oz 1/4 oz eq = 21 gm or 0.7 oz	1 serving = 75 gm or 2.7 oz 3/4 serving = 56 gm or 2 oz 1/2 serving = 38 gm or 1.3 oz 1/4 serving = 19 gm or 0.7 oz
Group G	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group G	Minimum Serving Size for Group G
Brownies ³ (plain) Cake ³ (all varieties, frosted)	1 oz eq = 125 gm or 4.4 oz 3/4 oz eq = 94 gm or 3.3 oz 1/2 oz eq = 63 gm or 2.2 oz 1/4 oz eq = 32 gm or 1.1 oz	1 serving = 115 gm or 4 oz 3/4 serving = 86 gm or 3 oz 1/2 serving = 58 gm or 2 oz 1/4 serving = 29 gm or 1 oz
Group H	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group H	Minimum Serving Size for Group H
Cereal Grains (barley, quinoa, etc.) Breakfast cereals (cooked) ^{6,7} Bulgur or cracked wheat Macaroni (all shapes) Noodles (all varieties) Pasta (all shapes) Ravioli (noodle only) Rice	1 oz eq = 1/2 cup cooked or 1 ounce (28 gm) dry	1 serving = 1/2 cup cooked or 25 gm dry
Group I	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group I	Minimum Serving Size for Group I
Ready to eat breakfast cereal (cold, dry) ^{6,7}	1 oz eq = 1 cup or 1 ounce for flakes and rounds 1 oz eq = 1.25 cups or 1 ounce for puffed cereal 1 oz eq = 1/4 cup or 1 ounce for granola	1 serving = 3/4 cup or 1 oz, whichever is less



Muffins

2oz. = 1 oz Eq =1 Item



Puffed Cereal

Often 1 cup often does not equal a 1 oz grain like other cereals

Read the label for serving size and verify that it is a whole grain.

When ordering bowl packs for schools make sure the serving size is one ounce.



1.55 oz granola bar - a 1oz eq



Foods With More Than 1 Oz Eq

Larger foods can count as more than 1 item.



2 oz eq bagel =
2 food items (grains)



3 oz eq bagel = 3 food items (grains)

Combination Foods

Combination foods can count as more than 1 item.



2 oz eq Grain +2 oz eq M/MA =4 food items



1 oz eq Grain + 1 oz eq M/MA = 2 food items

Counting Items Check CN Labels

Item	Item Count
Breakfast Pizza	2
Breakfast Burrito	2
Breakfast Sandwich	2
Pancake	1
Mini Bagel	1
Cereal	1
Yogurt	1
Fruit (1/2 cup)	1
Juice (1/2 cup)	1
Milk	1

Identifying a Reimbursable Breakfast at Point of Service

- 1. Look for ½ cup fruit/vegetable
- 2. Look for at least 2 other *items*

Summary of OvS at Breakfast

Must offer 4 food items from 3 food components

Option A	Option B	Option C
1 oz Grain	1 oz Grain	1 oz Grain
1 oz Grain	1 oz (M/MA)	½ cup Fruit
1 cup Fruit	1 cup Fruit	½ cup Fruit
1 cup Milk	1 cup Milk	1 cup Milk

OvS at Breakfast

Student may decline 1 item

Option A	Option B	Option C
1 oz Grain	1 oz Grain	1 oz Grain
1 oz Grain	1 oz (M/MA)	½ cup Fruit
1 cup Fruit	1 cup Fruit	½ cup Fruit
1 cup Milk	1 cup Milk	1 cup Milk

Non-Creditable Foods

Cream Cheese Bacon Jam Fruit Snacks

Condiments (not including salsa)

Pre-K requirements

- Further meal pattern requirements apply when P-K students are not comingled with other grades.
- ► Cereal- no more than 6 grams of sugar per 1 oz
- Yogurt no more than 23 grams of sugar per 6 oz
- Grain based deserts are not allowed to be served as a part of a reimbursable meal
- Unflavored Milk 1% or Skim can be offered

Sample Breakfast Signage



An Act To Address Student Hunger with a "Breakfast after the Bell" Program

- A public school in which at least 50% of students qualified for a free or reduced-price lunch during the previous school year must operate an alternative breakfast delivery service that provides breakfast after the start of the school day.
- Schools with only grades 9-12 are exempt
- Schools with 70% or grater participation of free/reduced students in the breakfast program are exempt.
- A school administrative unit may opt out of the alternative breakfast delivery service if the governing board of the school administrative unit holds a public hearing.

Alternative Breakfast Models

- Some schools use alternative methods to offer breakfast to increase participation
- Grab and go carts in the hallway
- Delivered to the classroom
- ▶ 2nd chance breakfast

Breakfast After the Bell Grant

- To help administer or increase participation in an after the bell breakfast service.
- Eligible schools appear as 50% on the SY21 ED534
- No Deadline to apply

- Maine DOE Breakfast Page
- https://www.maine.gov/doe/scho ols/nutrition/programs/breakfast
 - Breakfast Grant Application and instructions
 - List of schools eligible this year



Harvest High School Café Breakfast Menu

9-12

<u>N</u>	/londay	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Were the Weekly
Whole (1 c)	e Grain Cereal oz eq Grain) e Grain Toast oz eq Grain) Banana 1/2 Cup) ed 100% Juice 1/2 Cup) nite Milk - 8 oz	Breakfast Sandwich (2 oz eq English muffin 1 oz eq sausage patty 1 oz eq egg patty) Dried Cranberries (% Cup) Assorted 100% Juice (1/2 Cup)	Hard Boiled Egg on a Stick (1 egg= 2 oz eq M/MA) Cheese stick (1 oz eq M/MA) Fresh Maine Apple (½ Cup) Assorted 100% Juice (1/2 Cup) 1% White Milk - 8 oz FF Choc. Milk - 8 oz	Fruit and Yogurt Parfait w/Maine Blueberries (1/2 cup blueberries 1 oz eq granola 1 cup yogurt= 2 oz eq M/MA) 1% White Milk - 8 oz	Breakfast Pizza (2 oz eq Grain & 2 oz eq M/MA) Hash Brown (1/2 Cup) Assorted 100% Juice (½ Cup) 1% White Milk - 8 oz FF Choc. Milk - 8 oz	Requirements met? Grain (9 oz eq)? YES NO Fruit (5 cup)? YES NO If vegetables substituted for fruit, were 2 cups of nonstarchy vegetables offered? YES NO Milk (5 cup)? YES NO
Were t	the following r	equirements met?				
Monday	Totals Amt. Y/N	Tuesday Totals <u>Amt. Y/N</u>	Wednesday Totals Amt. Y/N	Thursday Totals Amt. Y/N	Friday Totals Amt. Y/N	WEEKLY Totals Amt. Y/N
Grain:		Grain:	Grain:	Grain:	Grain:	Grain:
Fruit:		Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:
Milk:		Milk:	Milk:	Milk:	Milk:	Milk:

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Grain:	Grain:	Grain:	Grain:	Grain:	Grain:
Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:	Fruit:
Milk:	Milk:	Milk:	Milk:	Milk:	Milk: